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- (3) Any Indian.
- (c) The Secretary will directly disburse and distribute trust personalty transferred by renunciation to a person or entity other than those listed in paragraph (b) of this section.

§ 30.185 May my designated recipient refuse to accept the interest?

Yes. Your designated recipient may refuse to accept the interest, in which case the renounced interest passes to the devisees or heirs of the decedent as if you had predeceased the decedent. The refusal must be made in writing and filed with the judge before the judge issues the final order in the probate case.

§ 30.186 Are renunciations that predate the American Indian Probate Reform Act of 2004 valid?

Any renunciation filed and included as part of a probate decision or order issued before the effective date of the American Indian Probate Reform Act of 2004 remains valid.

§ 30.187 May I revoke my renunciation?

A written renunciation is irrevocable after the judge enters the final order in the probate proceeding. A revocation will not be effective unless the judge actually receives it before entry of a final order.

§ 30.188 Does a renounced interest vest in the person who renounced it?

No. An interest in trust or restricted property renounced under §30.181 is not considered to have vested in the renouncing heir or devisee, and the renunciation is not considered a transfer by gift of the property renounced.

- (a) If the renunciation directs the interest to an eligible person or entity, the interest passes directly to that person or entity.
- (b) If the renunciation does not direct the interest to an eligible person or entity, the renounced interest passes to the heirs of the decedent as if the person renouncing the interest had predeceased the decedent, or if there are no other heirs, to the residuary devisees.

Subpart I—Summary Probate Proceedings

§ 30.200 What is a summary probate proceeding?

- (a) A summary probate proceeding is the disposition of a probate case without a formal hearing on the basis of the probate file received from the agency. A summary probate proceeding may be conducted by a judge or an ADM, as determined by the supervising judge.
- (b) A decedent's estate may be processed summarily if the estate involves only cash and the total value of the estate does not exceed \$5,000 on the date of death.

§ 30.201 What does a notice of a summary probate proceeding contain?

The notice of summary probate proceeding under §30.114(b) will contain the following:

- (a) Notice of the right of any interested party to request that OHA handle the probate case as a formal probate proceeding:
- (b) A summary of the proposed distribution of the decedent's estate, a statement of the IIM account balance, and a copy of the death certificate;
- (c) A notice that the only claims that will be considered are those from eligible heirs or devisees, or from any person or entity who filed a claim with BIA before the transfer of the probate file to OHA, with a copy of any such claim;
- (d) A notice that an interested party may renounce or disclaim an interest, in writing, either generally or in favor of a designated person or entity; and
- (e) Any other information that OHA determines to be relevant.

§ 30.202 May I file a claim or renounce or disclaim an interest in the estate in a summary probate proceeding?

- (a) Claims that have been filed with the agency before the probate file is transferred to OHA will be considered in a summary probate proceeding.
- (b) If you are a devisee or eligible heir, you may also file a claim with OHA as a creditor within 30 days after the mailing of the notice of the summary probate proceeding.
- (c) You may renounce or disclaim an interest in the estate within 30 days